

Board of Trustees News

Meet The Candidates Evening The following candidates have been nominated for the Board of Trustees: Alannah Batger, Jamie Cameron, June Davis, Stephen Edwards, Danielle Fagerlund, Len Gray, Myke Taane-Edwards and Laurence Thorburn. Thank you to candidates and parents who attending the 'Meet the Candidates Evening' on Wednesday in support of the election process and committing to the schools mission and vision.

Every eligible voter should vote to ensure that elected boards represent the community, have a good mix of gender, ethnicity, skills and experiences to bring to the board table, and can make a positive difference to your children's learning.

All voting papers have been sent out and must be received by the Returning Officer (Liz Manning) no later than noon on Friday 3 June.

Children's Work

National Young Leaders Day – Auckland The following are comments and messages from some of the NYLD students.

Max – I might not be the best at something but I'm better than the person who didn't try. (Billy Graham)

Rachael – There were two people who inspired me. Emily Muli who promotes World Vision because that's something I would like to do. And Brylee Mills who lost her arm when she was six in a car accident. She didn't give up on her dreams even though she only had one arm.

Thomas – You don't need a badge to be a leader because a badge doesn't make a leader, character does. The easy thing to do isn't always right and the right thing to do isn't always easy. (Valentine Tauamiti)

Sian – To succeed you need 10% talent and 90% hard work. (Billy Graham)
Always be humble and do things out of love, not for show. (Emily Muli)

Emma – People can't see how you brush your teeth, or if you do it properly, but they can tell if you don't. Always do the right thing even if you want to do the left thing. (Valentine Tauamiti)

What's Coming Up At Waitomo Caves School

1 June	COP's Winter Sports
3 June	Community Assembly
3 June	BOT Votes Close at noon
6 June	Queen's Birthday Holiday
13-14 June	Life Education Visit
17 June	Aria Orienteering Day

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Newsletter

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Whaia te ara totika – Make the Right Choice

Term Two 2016

Week Four – 27 May

Dear Parents, Caregiver, Whanau and Friends of the School

Tena Koutou Katoa

Welcome to winter! Perhaps not, nevertheless the cooler days are upon us. With the change in weather please encourage your children to have adequate clothing at school. This involves children coming to school dressed warmly and having a change of clothes in their bags in case they need extra layers to put on or get wet. With the rainy days we have recently had it's a good idea for children to bring their raincoats.

Home Reading

This is a reminder that books coming home need to be easy. Teachers teach strategies with the more challenging text which is the child's instructional level. Home reading needs to be fun not difficult. Ask your child to tell you about the book they bring home. They could summarise the story for you. Ask them questions about the characters, the plot and or places in the story. Make connections with people and places. For home reading children will be getting books they are fluent in.

COP's Winter Sports

The COP's Winter Sports was postponed this week and will now be held on Wednesday 1 June for all Year 3 to 8 children. Year 7/8 will play rippa rugby at Island Reserve, Year 5/6 netball at Otorohanga netball courts,



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and Year 3/4 soccer at Otorohanga Domain. Year 1/2 students will remain at school with Mrs Marich. Students require transport and it is much appreciated that parents have been able to accommodate this change to support the teams. If this new date suits you better and you are able to provide transport please let the school know on Monday. We have also been asked to provide a BBQ lunch at soccer which will go ahead. If you can help out there that would be fantastic.

National Young Leaders Day

This year we were able to take part in the NYLD in Auckland yesterday with a keen group of Year 7 & 8 students. Thank you to Marianne and Cathy for providing transport, this is much appreciated.



Site Meeting

Following a very lengthy process of property paraphernalia we had a site visit from the successful building tender, Paul Rattray and project manager representative Paul Millar. We are still waiting for the building consent to be approved by the WDC however the good news is Rattray Builders will inform us of a start date soon which may be towards the end of July.

The PTC App

This app is totally free for the school and has been rolled over to continue for another year. There have been 793 downloads/views over the 2015/2016. Thank you to our supporting business for their sponsorship. Please take note of these businesses at the bottom of each calendar page.



Waitomo Equestrian Team

Congratulations to our first ever school equestrian team consisting of Conner on Shilar, Emma and Dragon, Seth G and Candy, with Maddison on Greya. A fantastic first day and 16th placing over all out of twenty seven teams. Well done, keep on progressing and working hard.



Community Assembly

Our community assembly is scheduled for Friday 3 June at 1.15pm. We will be cooking Muttonbirds for our audience to sample, please come along

School Closed

This is a reminder that school is closed for lessons on Monday 6 June due to the Queen's Birthday being observed.

Fundraising

A three course meal voucher for two at the Huhu is being raffled for \$5.00. Please come into school to purchase your ticket.

Community News

Things to remember about Verge: · Verge would be better if you were there :)
 · Bring a filled in and signed permission slip for this term otherwise no can go :(
 · Bring \$2 to feed the pig, he's hungry
 · Please refrain from bringing sugary beverages or sweets, we will feed you
 · Verge is a Year 7 & 8 only zone
 · Verge is at the Harvest Centre, 5 Tuhoro St, Otorohanga
 · See you Thursday's 3:00pm—5:00pm, at the Harvest Centre, at Verge :)